

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Vrtiska, how would putting this question to a vote prevent the things occurring that you said you would like to see happen?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, I guess it goes back to the issue. I know that it costs money to have elections in Douglas County and I don't really understand what the entire purpose of it is because I think, as has been described to you before, you're taking money, tax money, taxing the people and turning around and paying it back, it's just a circular tax that really doesn't, I don't see, enhance or detract in any way, so I told you yesterday I didn't think it was...I thought it was kind of a...and I hate to say this but I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's all right.

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SENATOR VRTISKA: ...I thought it was kind of a silly bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Uh-huh. Well, I agree that 961 is a silly bill, but I'm trying to "desillyfy" it by offering a sensible amendment.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, I guess you and I don't just exactly totally agree on that, but then that's...that's the way life is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I can...I can accept that, Senator Vrtiska, and I will try to press right on despite your opposition.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I'm sure you will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But here is the thing that continues to escape me, if these societies sponsor functions which people pay to attend, why could they not derive enough money to pay personal property tax? What would they be paying personal property tax on? We kind of touched on it yesterday and Senator Schellpeper had mentioned some tables and chairs. So can you think of anything in addition to that?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, you know, if in truth and if you really